

In the Claims:

Claims 1-9 (cancelled)

10. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing an integrated circuit device, comprising:

forming a trench in a substrate;

forming an isolation layer comprising an insulating material in the trench so as to cover a first sidewall portion of the trench and an entire bottom of the trench; and

forming an impurity layer in a second sidewall portion of the trench; and

forming a gate electrode on a the second sidewall portion of the trench.

11. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein forming the gate electrode comprises:

forming a gate insulating layer on the second sidewall portion of the trench; and

forming the gate electrode on the gate insulating layer.

12. (original) The method of Claim 10, wherein forming the isolation layer comprises:

forming a buffer layer in the trench; and

forming the isolation layer on the buffer layer in the trench.

13. (original) The method of Claim 12, wherein forming the isolation layer comprises:

forming a liner layer on the buffer layer; and

forming the isolation layer on the liner layer in the trench.

14. (canceled)

15. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing an integrated circuit device,

comprising:

etching a substrate to form a trench and a mesa therein, the mesa comprising an upper surface and a sidewall, which is adjacent the trench;

filling an entire bottom of the trench with an insulating material so as to cover a first portion of the sidewall and to expose a second portion of the sidewall; ~~and~~

implanting ion impurities in the second portion of the sidewall and the upper surface;
and

forming a gate electrode on the second portion of the sidewall and the upper surface.

16. (original) The method of Claim 15, wherein the etching step comprises:
forming an oxide layer on the substrate;
forming a mask on the oxide layer;
patterning the mask to expose at least a portion of the oxide layer; and
etching the exposed portion of the oxide layer and the substrate to form the trench and the mesa.

17. (original) The method of Claim 16, wherein filling the trench with the insulating material comprises:
filling the trench with the insulating material so as to cover the mask;
planarizing the insulating material until a surface of the mask is exposed;
patterning the insulating material so that the mask extends through a surface of the insulating material;
etching the mask to substantially remove the mask from the upper surface of the mesa;
and
etching the insulating material so that the insulating material covers the first portion of the sidewall and exposes the second portion of the sidewall.

18. (original) The method of Claim 15, further comprising:
forming a buffer layer in the trench before filling the trench with the insulating material; and
thermally treating the insulating material after filling the trench with the insulating

material.

19. (canceled)

20. (currently amended) The method of Claim ~~19~~ 15, wherein implanting ion impurities comprises:

implanting ion impurities at an oblique angle with respect to a plane formed by a non-etched portion of the substrate in the second portion of the sidewall and the upper surface.

21. (original) The method of Claim 15, wherein forming the gate electrode comprises:

forming an oxide layer on the second portion of the sidewall and the upper surface;
implanting ion impurities through the oxide layer in the second portion of the sidewall and the upper surface;
etching the oxide layer; and
forming the gate electrode on the second portion of the sidewall and the upper surface.

Claims 22-30 (canceled)

31. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing a semiconductor device comprising the steps of:

forming a trench by etching a semiconductor substrate;
partially filling the trench with an isolation layer comprising an insulation material, which leaves upper sidewalls of the trench exposed, but covers an entire bottom of the trench;
forming an impurity layer to control threshold voltage beneath the surface of the upper sidewalls of the trench and beneath an upper surface of the semiconductor substrate adjacent to the trench;

forming a gate insulating layer on the upper sidewalls of the exposed trench and ~~an~~ the upper surface of the semiconductor substrate adjacent to the trench; and
forming a gate electrode on the gate insulating layer.

32. (original) The method of manufacturing a semiconductor device of Claim 31 further comprising the step of forming a buffer layer at the interface between the isolation layer and the trench.

33. (original) The method of manufacturing a semiconductor device of Claim 32 further comprising the step of forming a liner of a silicon nitride layer at the interface between the buffer layer and the isolation layer.

34. (original) The method of manufacturing a semiconductor device of Claim 31, wherein the surface of the isolation layer is lower than the upper surface of the semiconductor substrate.

35. (original) The method of manufacturing a semiconductor device of Claim 31, wherein the step of forming the isolation layer comprising the steps of:
forming a filling layer which fills the trench; and
etching the filling layer to a predetermined thickness so as to expose the upper sidewalls of the trench.

36. (original) The method of manufacturing a semiconductor device of Claim 31, wherein the step of forming the trench comprises the steps of:
forming a pad oxide layer on the semiconductor substrate;
forming a mask on the pad oxide layer; and
etching the semiconductor substrate using the mask as an etching mask, and the step of forming the isolation layer comprises the steps of:
forming a filling layer which fills the trench;
chemically and mechanically polishing the filling layer so as to expose the surface of the mask;
etching the surface of the polished filling layer exposed by the mask;
removing the mask; and
etching the resultant filling layer so as to expose the upper sidewalls of the trench.

37. (canceled)

38. (currently amended) The method of manufacturing a semiconductor substrate of Claim 37 31, wherein the impurity layer is formed using angle implantation.

39. (original) The method of manufacturing a semiconductor device of Claim 31, wherein the gate electrode covers the upper sidewalls of the trench and the surface of the isolation layer and is formed on the gate insulating layer which is interposed between the gate electrode and the upper surface of the semiconductor substrate.

40. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing an integrated circuit device, comprising:

forming a mesa structure having sidewalls and a top surface in a substrate; ~~and~~
forming an impurity layer in the top surface and respective upper portions of the sidewalls; and

forming a gate electrode on the mesa structure that extends across the top surface and down the respective upper portions of the sidewalls.

41. (previously presented) The method of Claim 40, wherein forming the gate electrode comprises:

forming a gate insulating layer on respective upper portions of the sidewalls; and
forming the gate electrode on the gate insulating layer.

42. (previously presented) The method of Claim 40, further comprising:

forming an isolation layer comprising an insulating material on respective lower portions of the sidewalls.

43. (previously presented) The method of Claim 42, wherein forming the mesa structure comprises:

forming a pair of trenches on opposing sides of the mesa structure; and wherein
forming the isolation layer comprises:

forming the isolation layer in the respective trenches so as to cover the respective lower portions of the sidewalls.

44. (previously presented) The method of Claim 43, wherein forming the isolation layer further comprises:

forming a buffer layer in the respective trenches; and

forming the isolation layer on the buffer layer in the respective trenches.

45. (previously presented) The method of Claim 44, wherein forming the isolation layer further comprises:

forming a liner layer on the buffer layer; and

forming the isolation layer on the liner layer in the respective trenches.

46. (canceled)